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**Art Unit 1754**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 10/716,604; Filed: November 20, 2003  
For: **Method for the Preparation of Well-Defined Metal Acetamidinate-  
Based Catalysts on Solid Supports**  
Inventors: Sita *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1797.0540001/RWE/CJW

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Executed Power of Attorney From Assignee;
2. Executed Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) with copy of Assignment attached; and
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